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TRADE RECOVERING.

BOARD OF TRADE HOPEFUL.

LONDON, May 11.

Mr. Stanley Baldwin, President of the Board of Trade, said the coal trade alone had reached its economic level. It was the only trade where exports were something like the pre-war average, but unfortunately there was no great demand for industrial coal and the demand was not likely to revive till trade generally began to improve.

The iron and steel trade had had a very difficult time and was unlikely to reach a paying position for some time as the world was convinced that bottom prices had not yet been reached.

The wool trade was comparatively cheerful, notably in yards piece goods, but the growth of tariffs abroad was injurious.

Turning to the other side of the picture, our productive power was greater than ever, while London remained the world's financial centre. He quoted the percentages of exports since 1913 as showing that we are slowly climbing out of the appalling pit into which we fell on the collapse of the post-war boom, and giving us real hope that we are on the eve of a better day. He forecasted that trade would continue to show slow and gradual improvement but said all classes must co-operate in production.

In beginning his speech he said there was nothing in the condition of the British Dominions, the United States, South America, Holland, Scandinavia or Spain to prevent them again largely buying. He regarded with apprehension the increases in tariffs, especially in France, Italy, Spain and the United States, but was confident we could hold our own in the dominions owing to generous preferences. A further disquieting feature was the attempted discrimination by certain maritime countries against British shipping. He hoped the motherland and the dominions could confer about that before it was too late. If the restoration of Europe were delayed we must intensify our inter-imperial trade and push it into Eastern and South American markets. British industries had mostly liquidated the stocks which accumulated in the short post-war boom, but reduction of taxation was essential to resumption of business.

Lancashire was viewing with alarm the increase of duties in India. He hoped the labours of the Indian fiscal commission which was studying the whole question would bring some comfort to British manufacturers. Summing up the world's markets he said they saw little sign of rapidly increasing trade with the dominions; they saw in India difficulties placed in the way by the tariff, by the falling rupee, and by unliquidated stocks; they saw in Japan financial troubles and in China political troubles but they saw in South America signs of improvement; also similar signs in the United States. He added that the cotton trade had to contend with many difficulties which had arisen largely due to the fact that their great trade with the East and Indian trade was not only hampered by the Indian tariff but by the large amount of bills in India which were awaiting liquidation. The industry of Lancashire had faced with great courage and commonsense the cheapening of production necessary to enable it to re-enter various markets. He opined that Lancashire had set a good example to the country of settling trade disputes without involving the rest of the country.

A NEWSPAPER SENSATION.

WHICH WAS NOT WELL FOUNDED.

LONDON, May 11.

The inquest on the Russian found dead in London decided that death was due to natural causes. The postmortem showed that death was due to heart disease following a heavy meal, and the exertion of hurrying to catch a bus. The coroner issued a permit for the cremation of the ashes, which will probably be sent to the widow in Manchuria.

COUNTY CRICKET.

LATEST RESULTS.

LONDON, May 12.

Playing at Birmingham, Sussex defeated Warwickshire by nine wickets.

Yorkshire beat Glamorgan at Cardiff by an innings and 258 runs. Holmes scored 138, and Oldroyd 141 not out. Macaulay took six wickets for 12 runs.

Playing at the Oval, Surrey defeated Somerset by ten wickets.

J. PANESI IN SIBERIA.

COMMONS STATEMENT.

LONDON, May 11.

In the House of Commons, replying to Mr. George Barnes, Mr. Austen Chamberlain said that he understood it was owing to the breakdown of the Dairen conference that the Japanese Government had been unable hitherto to give effect to their declared intention of withdrawing their troops from Siberia.

AMERICAN RIOTS.

LABOUR LEADERS ARRESTED.

CHICAGO, May 11.

The arrested labour leaders include "Big Tim" Murphy, the president of the Gas Workers' Union, "Con" Shea, leader of the historic teamsters' strike in 1914 which resulted in considerable violence. All the men questioned hitherto deny all knowledge of the killing of police.

BRITAIN'S APRIL TRADE.

\$25,000,000 ADVERSE BALANCE.

LONDON, May 11.

The Board of Trade returns for April were as follows:—Imports \$80,000,000; and exports \$55,000,000, compared with \$57,000,000 and \$54,000,000, respectively, for March.

RUSSIA'S GENOA REPLY.

ORDERS FROM MOSCOW.

GENOA, May 11.

M. Chicherin handed Signor Schanzer the Russian reply. Both conversed for three quarters of an hour, M. Chicherin emphasising that the reply was prepared under direct instructions from Moscow and reiterating his desire to continue co-operation with the other delegations.

The reply suggests the appointment of a new special commission to continue negotiations after Genoa.

GENOA, May 11.

On preliminary examination the Russian reply generally appears unsatisfactory, but from the British and Italian standpoints it is regarded as "one we can get on with."

DUTCH LABOUR.

NEW WORKING HOURS.

THE HAGUE, May 11.

The Second Chamber has voted for the Bill amending the working-hours act. The principal change substitutes a 48 hour week for the former 45. Other amendments are designed to adapt the bill to industrial needs.

HOME WHOLESALE PRICES.

APRIL'S SLIGHT INCREASE.

LONDON, May 11.

For the first time since prices began to fall in the spring of 1920 there was a small rise equivalent to 5 per cent of the general level of wholesale prices for April compared with those for March. This was mainly due to the high prices of food, except cereals.

KING IN BELGIUM.

VISITING THE CEMETERIES.

BRUSSELS, May 11.

Given a great farewell by cheering crowds, King George departed on a tour of the cemeteries, firstly visiting the cemetery at Zeebrugge and inspecting the mole.

HOME ENGINEERING DISPUTE.

ANOTHER CONFERENCE PROPOSED.

LONDON, May 12.

The engineering employers have invited representatives of the strikers' unions to confer again on May 16.

IRISH TRUCE CONTINUES.

PEACE NEGOTIATIONS RESUMED.

LONDON, May 12.

The Daily Eireann peace committee has agreed to resume negotiations. The bombs accordingly adjourned until May 17. The truce continues.

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STARTLING DEVELOPMENTS
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A romantic story lies behind the
tragic fate of Marie Kodarevsky,
a beautiful Russian girl of twenty-one,
who was found shot in her bedroom
at a "Pond street, Chelsea, boarding-
house.

Two years ago she met on the
Continent, Lieut.-Colonel Herbert
Allard, D.S.O., of the Royal Field
Artillery, and their friendship seems
to have ripened into something
deeper.

In mail week there was a sensational
development. Lieut.-Colonel Allard
was summoned at West London
police court to answer a charge of
unlawfully marrying Marie Kodarev-
sky, in Paris, during the lifetime
of his wife, Althea Beryl Molyneux-
Allard.

Letters which have been found shed
some light on the tragic affair, and
when the inquest story is told in full
dramatic revelations will probably
be made.

Mystery also surrounds the death
of a young Swiss typist who was found
dead in her room at Highbury Hill.

Marie Kodarevsky was a particu-
larly attractive type of Russian
beauty. Only twenty-one years of
age, she was very tall and dark, with
eyes which glinted with passion.
Her meeting with Lieutenant Colonel
Herbert Allard led to a romance,
the full details of which are as yet not
fully known. Inquiries are being pur-
sued on the Continent, where the
couple first met, and it is anticipated
that the inquest will be adjourned to
enable the police to discover more
facts concerning the beautiful girl
whose death came with such tragic
suddenness.

So far as I have been able to dis-
cover, writes a correspondent, she
and Lieutenant Colonel Allard first
arrived in London three weeks ago,
and stayed at the Stuart Hotel,
Cromwell-road, Earl's Court, where
they occupied a double bedroom and
a sitting-room. They were a most
devoted couple and lived quite
happily. It was the colonel's custom
to leave the hotel each morning about
half-past nine, and his charming com-
panion was wont to follow later, to
return with the colonel in time for
dinner.

Apparently the hotel was selected as
a temporary home, while a suitable
place was sought for the beautiful
Marie, who, far away from her own
folk, was at times lonely and given to
fits of depression. The house finally
chosen in Pond-street, Chelsea, was
occupied by a Russian family, and
there, it was thought, Mlle. Kodarev-
sky would be happier, mingling



This one asked for divorce
because her husband in San
Francisco was not earning
enough money. She
didn't get it. Hard
luck on the
husband.

with some of her folk and able to en-
joy conversation in her mother tongue.

It was on a Friday morning that they
took up their residence there, driving
to Pond-street in a taxi. Everything
then seemed normal; Marie was her
own vivacious self, and she entered in
possession of her new home appar-
ently well pleased.

But within a few hours the cham-
ber in which she passed from her lover
became a chamber of death—and poor
Marie Kodarevsky lay on
with her beauty disfigured by a cruel
bullet wound, apparently inflicted
with a Service revolver which was
clashed in her right hand.

It is surmised that in the temporary
absence of Lieut.-Colonel Allard—
who had gone to the West End on
business—one of these terrible fits of
depression seized her and she sought
a way out in death. One shot only
appears to have been fired, and the
beautiful Russian girl passed over
to the unknown.

COLONEL'S DISCOVERY.
The tragedy was discovered by
Lieut.-Colonel Allard himself, for
though there were people moving
about the house, both below and
above the room in which Mlle.
Kodarevsky was waiting the return
of her companion, nobody heard
anything amiss. It was about six
o'clock in the evening when the
Colonel got back to Pond-street, and
on going to the room he was horrified
to find his lover lying on the bed, fully
dressed, dead in a pool of blood. He
at once informed the police.
The full story of the meeting be-

tween Colonel Allard and the lady
will be told at the inquest. It
appears that they became firm friends
while the Colonel was abroad, and
they travelled together for some time.
When they first returned to England
they lived in the country, and it was
because Mlle. Kodarevsky was de-
sirous of a change that the Colonel
decided to find her a congenial home
in London where she would, he hoped,
be more happy and have around her
people with whom she could converse
in her own tongue.

"SHE HAS BEEN LONELY."
Colonel Allard, himself a smart,
good-looking man, told a "Reynolds"
representative briefly of
his friendship with the dead girl.

"We have known each other for
about two years," he said "I met her
while I was on the Continent, and we
became very close friends.

"I brought her back with me to
England, but she has been very lonely,
not having any friends of her own.

"I cannot tell you at present any-
thing about her relatives or where
Mademoiselle came from.

"She certainly had no connection
with the theatre or opera. In fact,
she was not an artist of any kind."

"Last week I made arrangements
to bring her to a Russian family in
London, and I found a suitable home
for her at Pond-street among people
of her own nationality."

POLICE COURT SURPRISES.
A sensational development followed
quickly on the heels of the drama, for
Lieut. Colonel Herbert Allard ap-
peared at the West London police
court on a summons which charges
him with unlawfully marrying Marie
Kodarevsky at the Prefecture du
Departement de la Seine, Paris, on
December 31, 1921, while his lawful
wife was still alive.

Mr. A. F. Rowe, who appeared for
the Public Prosecutor, intimated that
in view of certain developments it
was not proposed to proceed with the
case that day. The defence had
agreed that there should be a three-
weeks' adjournment.

The colonel was granted bail in his
own recognisance in £100.
Lieut. Col. Allard, whose address
was given as the Hotel Stuart, Crom-
well-road, Earl's Court, is 46 years of
age.

It was in 1898 that the colonel
joined the Royal Regiment of Ar-
tillery, and he gained the D.S.O. in
South Africa in 1900. Last year he
was employed on the Greco-Bulgarian
Boundary Commission.

He was married in 1906 to Miss
Althea Beryl Molyneux Carter, only
daughter of the late Col. H. Molyneux
Carter, of Panster Manor, Bristol.
Several letters, which will throw
light on the tragic affair, have been
found, one of which was addressed to the coroner.

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May 18, 1922, at 10 p.m., at Royal Army Ordnance Corps Depot, Queen's Road East,
and Royal Engineers Yard, Wellington Barracks.
The Following Government Stores—
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HUGHES & HOUGH,
Auctioneers.
Hongkong, May 5, 1922.

THE Undersigned have received instructions from A. A. WILSON, Esq., to sell by Public Auction, on
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May 19, 1922, at 10.30 p.m., at 9 Wild Dell Wood Road, near Homerville, Wanchai Road,
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Hongkong, May 9, 1922.

PUBLIC AUCTION.

PARTICULARS and Conditions of the letting by Public Auction Sale, to be held on **MONDAY,** the 15th day of May, 1922, at 2 p.m., at the Office of the Public Works Department, by order of His Excellency the Governor, of one Lot of CROWN LAND at Victoria Road, in the Colony of Hongkong, for a term of 75 years with the option of renewal at a Crown Rent to be fixed by the Surveyor of His Majesty the King, for one further term of 75 years.

G. R.
PARTICULARS and Conditions of the letting by Public Auction Sale, to be held on **MONDAY,** the 15th day of May, 1922, at 2 p.m., at the Office of the Public Works Department, by Order of His Excellency the Governor, of one Lot of CROWN LAND at Shamshuipo in the Colony of Hongkong, for a term of 75 years, commencing from 1st July, 1923, with the option of renewal at a Crown Rent to be fixed by the Surveyor of His Majesty the King, for one further term of 75 years.

G. R.
PARTICULARS and Conditions of the letting by Public Auction Sale, to be held on **MONDAY,** the 15th day of May, 1922, at 2 p.m., at the Office of the Public Works Department, by Order of His Excellency the Governor, of four Lots of CROWN LAND, on spot between West Bay and Repulse Bay in the Colony of Hongkong, for a term of 75 years, with the option of renewal at a Crown Rent to be fixed by the Surveyor of His Majesty the King, for one further term of 75 years.

No. of Lots	Locality	Boundary Measurements	Area in Acres	Annual Rent	First Price
1	Victoria Road	N. 100 ft. E. 100 ft. S. 100 ft. W. 100 ft.	1.00	100	100
2	Shamshuipo	N. 100 ft. E. 100 ft. S. 100 ft. W. 100 ft.	1.00	100	100
3	West Bay	N. 100 ft. E. 100 ft. S. 100 ft. W. 100 ft.	1.00	100	100
4	Repulse Bay	N. 100 ft. E. 100 ft. S. 100 ft. W. 100 ft.	1.00	100	100

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INTIMATIONS

THE CANTON INSURANCE OFFICE LIMITED.
NOTICE TO SHAREHOLDERS.
THE Forty-first Ordinary General Meeting of Shareholders will be held at the Office of the undersigned on **FRIDAY,** the 19th May 1922, at Noon for the purpose of receiving the Report of the General Agents, together with a statement of Accounts for the year ended the 31st December 1921.
The Share Register and Transfer Books will be closed from the 5th to the 19th May 1922, both days inclusive.
At this Meeting a Resolution will be proposed dealing with the remuneration to the Consulting Committee.
JARDINE MATHESON & CO., LTD.
General Agents.
Hongkong, April 29, 1922.

INDO-CHINA STEAM NAVIGATION COMPANY LIMITED.
THE Forty-first Ordinary General Meeting of the Company will be held at the Office of the General Managers Messrs. Jardine, Matheson & Co., Ltd., Pedder Street, Hongkong on **TUESDAY** 23rd May 1922, at noon for the purpose of receiving the Report of the Directors, passing the accounts, and electing Directors and Auditors.
The Transfer Books of the Company will be closed from the 16th May to 6th June both days inclusive.
By Order of the Board,
JARDINE, MATHESON & CO., LTD.
General Managers.
Hongkong, April 28, 1922.

NOTICE.
MR. GEORGE MASON LAKIN having resigned his position in our office his authority to sign our name per procuration is CANCELLED.
Dated this Tenth day of May, 1922.
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NOTICE OF REMOVAL.
WE have this Day moved our Office to No. 1 Des Vaux Road Central, above Messrs. Deacon, Looker, Deacon and Harston's office.
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Hongkong, May 9, 1922.

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SHADOWS BEFORE. COMING EVENTS ADVERTISED IN THE "MAIL."

ENTERTAINMENTS.
May 12.—Coronet Theatre, Bert Lytell in Sir Gilbert Parker's "The Right of Way." World Theatre, Gladys Walton in "Rich Girl, Poor Girl." Kowloon Theatre, Larry Semon in the Grocery Clerk and Mary Miles Minter in "All Souls Eve."

SOCIAL EVENTS.
May 20.—Hongkong Football Club, annual dinner, Wiseman Cafe, 8 p.m.

PUBLIC AUCTION SALES.
May 13.—Lammert Bros. machinery, No. 400 Canton Road, Mongkok, 11 a.m.
May 13.—Hughes and Hough, personal effects of the late Mr. R.W.W. Bristow, Sales Rooms, 11.30 a.m.
May 13.—Hughes and Hough, table cloth, sheeting, dress length, etc., Sales Rooms, 10.30 a.m.
May 13.—Public Works Department, 34,000 sq. ft. land, Victoria, 7,735 sq. ft. at Shamshuipo for \$11,603, and four lots between West Bay and Repulse Bay, respectively 67,000, 57,550, 69,300, and 81,300 sq. ft. for a total upset price of \$16,527. P.W.D. Offices, 3 p.m.
May 16.—Lammert Bros. by order of the court, wooden steamer "Ka Ma" lying off Shamshuipo. Sales Rooms, 3 p.m.
May 18.—Hughes and Hough, Government stores, R.A.O.C. Depot, Queen's Road East, and R.E. yard, Wellington Barracks, 10 a.m.
May 19.—Hughes and Hough, household furniture and granaola, No. 9 Wild Dell Wood ad, Wanchai Road, 10.30 a.m.

COMPANY MEETING.
May 19.—Canton Insurance Office, Ltd., 41st. ordinary general meeting. Offices, General Agents, Messrs. Jardine, Matheson & Co., Ltd., noon.
May 23.—"Star" Ferry Co., Ltd., 24th. ordinary meeting. Offices of Messrs. Jardine, Matheson and Co., Ltd., 11 a.m.
May 23.—Indo-China Steam Navigation Co., Ltd., 41st. ordinary general meeting. Offices, General Agents, Messrs. Jardine, Matheson & Co., Ltd., noon.
Union Insurance Society of Canton, Ltd., second extraordinary general meeting to confirm new articles of association. Head Office, Queen's Building, noon.
China Fire Insurance Co., Ltd., second extraordinary general meeting to confirm new articles of association. Head Office, Queen's Building, 12.15 p.m.
British Traders' Insurance and Co., Ltd., second extraordinary general meeting to confirm new articles of association. Head Office, Queen's Building, 12.30 p.m.

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EARLIER TELEGRAMS. (Reuter's Service to the China Mail.)

GERMAN REPARATIONS.
BERLIN, May 10th.
The German reply to the Reparations Commission intimates that it is impossible to fulfil some of the demands, including the imposition of sixty milliards of fresh taxation before May 31st, but it promises before then to communicate a detailed plan in conformity with the principle of meeting the whole of the paper mark expenditure, by taxation and internal loans, and payments in foreign currency for foreign loans. The note finally requests the extension of certain payment dates.

ENGINEERING DISPUTE.
LONDON, May 10th.
The report by Sir William Mackenzie, who conducted the official enquiry into the engineering dispute, holds that the management alone is in a position to judge the necessity for overtime, and must have free exercise of discretion up to a limit of thirty hours in four weeks. The management is also entitled to decide whether any proposed change in working conditions is urgent, and must be enforced immediately, but subject thereto, the report declares the desirability of prior consultation with employees. Sir William Mackenzie makes other suggestions, but is of the opinion the matter is one wherein no agreement can wholly take the place of mutual good sense and goodwill, and the appreciation of others' difficulties.

COTTON INDUSTRY DISPUTE.
LONDON, May 10th.
The Federation of Master Cotton-spinners has convoked a meeting to consider the general lockout, unless a settlement is reached in connection with the suspension of work in two Oldham mills. The employers contend that the operatives are violating agreements.

DESTROYED ZEPPELINS.
PARIS, May 10th.
The Ambassador's Council has decided that Germany must pay 9,000,000 Gold marks as compensation for the zeppelins destroyed which ought to have been delivered to the Allies.

ANTI-BOLSHEVICKS BESIEGE TERMEZ.
ALGERIA, May 10th.
The Pioneer reports that in East Bokhara the anti-Bolsheviks are still besieging Termez. The Soviets have been compelled to send reinforcements as the rebels have fired the oil wells at Khokand and threaten to march on Tashkent, where an Bolshevik regiment has joined the anti-Bolsheviks.
The riots at Merve were suppressed after the principal bazaar had been looted.
The Bolsheviks are attempting to enforce conscription in East Bokhara under penalty of death.

RUSSIA AND THE VATICAN.
PARIS, May 10th.
The newspaper Tribune learns from Geneva that the Vatican has concluded an agreement with M. Chicherin whereby Russia accepts the Pontifical clause regarding liberty of religious conscience and the protection of Catholic Missions in Russia.
The Vatican withdrew the clause concerning the transference of church property in consequence of M. Chicherin's refusal to agree thereto.

LABOUR RIOTS IN AMERICA.
CHICAGO, May 10th.
A number of Labour Leaders have been detained, allegedly in connection with the murder of two patrolmen in a running fight, following the bombing of two buildings.

BETTING BY CHEQUE.
LONDON, May 10th.
The Court of Appeal has reversed the decision of Mr. Justice Astbury that a trustee in bankruptcy is unable to recover from a Brighton bookmaker £555 paid by cheque by the bankrupt to meet betting losses.
The Master of the Rolls said there was nothing discreditable or dishonourable as the law stood, in a trustee collecting a debt for distribution to creditors. He entered judgment for the trustee.
Justices Warrington and Younger concurred.
[The action was one of five by trustees, who desired it to be regarded as a test case.]

NORTH CHINA WAR.
PEKING, May 10th.
Ten Mandates were issued this afternoon and this evening.
They dismiss Chang Tso Lin and refer his case to the authorities for punishment.
They also abolish the Super-Tuchunship of Manchuria.
General Feng Yuh Siang becomes Tuchun of Honan in place of General Chao Ti who is removed from office and referred to the authorities for examination.
The post of High-Commissioner in Mongolia, formerly held by Chang Tso Lin is abolished. The defence of Mongolia is placed under the direct control of the Cabinet.
The Cabinet met this afternoon and resolved to resign on 15th. It is expected that a mandate will be issued appointing Wang Shih Cheng Premier.

CROUP.
This disease is so dangerous and so rapid in its development that every mother of young children should be prepared for it. It is very risky to wait until the attack of croup appears and then send for medicine and let the child suffer until it can be obtained. Chamberlain's Cough Remedy is prompt and effective and has never been known to fail in any case. Always have a bottle in the home. For sale by all Chemists and Storekeepers.

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Druggists sell them, also sent from 60 cents a box, from Dr. Williams' Medicine Co., 605 North Dearborn Street, Chicago.

SHIPPING. THE COMMERCIAL ASPECT OF MOTOR SHIPS.

Technically, and ethically, the motor ship is superior to the steamer. Technically because it avoids the double transformation of power necessitated by the intervention of the boiler, and ethically because it forms a means of the more economical employment of the world's fuel resources and eliminates smoking a class of work which is scarcely one to which mankind would naturally aspire. What is technically and ethically right is usually commercially successful, if the application is effected with wisdom. That this has proved to be the case in connection with the motor ship industry is clear from the financial results that have been achieved by those who have pinned their faith in the oil-engined vessel, and have been engaged sufficiently long in the industry for the full effects to be realized, says The Motor Ship.

A remarkable exemplification of the truth of this statement has been recorded in the balance sheet of two concerns, one a shipowning firm operating only motor vessels, and the other a shipbuilding establishment engaged exclusively in the construction of vessels fitted with internal-combustion engines. During the past year, which has been one of unrelieved depression in shipping, and has also been disastrous in shipbuilding circles, the shipowners in question (the East Asiatic Co.) were enabled to pay 20 per cent on their capital, while the shipbuilders referred to (Burmester and Wain) distributed 15 per cent to their shareholders.

It does not need a careful analysis of the financial position of shipowners and shipbuilders throughout the world to realize that these are exceptional results, but they teach a deeper lesson than that commercial success is attainable in shipping by employing motor ships, and in shipbuilding by adopting oil-engine construction. They teach the value of persistence, foresight, and vision. It is ten years since the East Asiatic Co.'s first ship sailed on her maiden voyage—the "Selandia" entered the Thames in March, 1912—and it is longer than that since Burmester and Wain commenced upon the manufacture of marine Diesel motors. Since then the shipowners could all their steamers and built up the largest fleet of motor ships in the world, while Burmester and Wain gave up all other work for the construction of large motor ships and their machinery.

These facts should give British shipbuilders and shipowners a line for the future. They are so pregnant that they need little emphasis. They point to the need for shipowners to convert their fleets to oil-engined vessels by the construction of nothing but this type of craft in the future, and they also indicate that shipbuilding and engineering firms should concentrate mainly, if not solely, upon motor shipbuilding to the exclusion of steamer construction. In each case, however, large, high-powered passenger liners must for the time being, of necessity, remain excluded.

If there is any doubt upon these points, steamship owners may compare their 1921 balance sheets with that of the East Asiatic Co., and steam shipbuilders with the results which Burmester and Wain have achieved.

In addition to the second motor liner for the British India Steam Navigation Co., now being built on Clyde, a larger motor liner is also under construction with accommodation for about 350 passengers. The vessel is built for a Liverpool shipowning firm.

Newcastle Corporation Special Committee has accepted tenders for straightening the quay wall at the Aberdeen wharf and for the erection of a new shed, together with the necessary railway connections, the amount not to exceed £4,000.

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HONGKONG, FRIDAY, MAY 12, 1922.

CORNED BEEF AND CABBAGE

It is not always as easy to see something in a sermon as it is to see a sermon in something, yet it would appear that there are people who cannot recognize a sermon unless it comes from a pulpit. It needed a poet to see sermons in stones, and though many have quoted, few have believed. It would be unfair to deny that our position is as ambiguous as our subject is complex until some attempt at definition is made. Avoiding the conspicuous temptation to remind ourselves that definition is a characteristic of most sermons, we must note that while there are sermons that are not sermons, because they are, newspapers leaders dressed in Sunday suits there are things observed without reverence that are sermons. It would be absurd to complain that these fortuitous sermons are disregarded, because to be disregarded is the immemorial fate of all sermons. Our complaint is against the mental astigmatism that fails to identify essentially sermonic things as sermons. The argument from Design may be bad theology, but every detail of the Design is a good sermon. That was the point of the poet. Every new fact of science is a sermon, for the truly scientific mind. But we need not elaborate the obvious, or reaffirm the commonplaces, as if we were addressing the readers of the Other Papers. In connection with some sermons we have encountered the significant legend (a sort of re-creating promise)

and to the need to be strengthened for good works and a pure and happy life, this foolish woman hoped for "stylish dishes." Had she got them she would still have been foolish, still unsatisfied, and her worthy husband's digestive processes perhaps permanently disarranged. But even here the point was rubbed well in, the moral well enforced. She discovered with dismay that stylish women do not necessarily live on stylish dishes. It would appear that the social butterfly she admired and emulated had more sense and more ballast than she. The new cook brought in what all readers now know to be the favourite dish of that sound and solid citizen, Mr. Jiggs. She brought in corned beef and cabbage. It is a pleasant thing, even while we deplore the errors of his wife, to contemplate the enraptured and beatific expression of that good Democrat, as he marks the homely fare. He has not been spoiled by wealth. Rich in the world's treasures though he has become, he retains his affection for the old ways, the simple tastes of the simple life, the unaffected manners and habits of a pure and noble nature. He still prefers corned beef to caviare, and cabbage (boiled) to Potting in Surprise. We need no more than that to know his nature, to read his character, to discover his soul. He is, he must be, a Good Man. He has a heart to feel for others. He loves beauty, and he worships wholesomeness. How often and how unostentatiously he forgives and forgets the murderous tantrums of his wife. If only she would learn to seek happiness where he finds it! How happy might they be! Undoubtedly it is a sermon that our comic artist is preaching, and the text for the sermon might well be that one which says "Be ye not unequally yoked together with unbelievers, for what fellowship hath righteousness with unrighteousness? and what communion hath light with darkness?"

LOCAL AND GENERAL.

The annual meeting of the "Star" Ferry Co., Ltd., takes place on May 23.

Captain butchers are forming a union on lines similar to the butchers' union in Hongkong.

An awning worth \$500 was stolen from the s.s. "Childa" yesterday afternoon.

In connection with the plague epidemic in Hongkong a hygiene exposition was held in Canton to-day.

We are informed by the Colonial Secretariat that Lingnan has declared Hongkong a plague infected port and a quarantine has been imposed.

General Ngai Bong-ping announces that the Headquarters of the Canton Garrison Commandant has been moved from the Water Police Bureau building to a building near the East Parade Ground.

A cook employed at No. 136, Wellington Street was removed to the Government Civil Hospital yesterday afternoon suffering from scalds on the face received by falling with a basin of boiling fat.

Receiving injuries to the head as the result of being knocked down by a tram car opposite the Sun Company's store yesterday afternoon, a Chinese from Szechuan had to be removed to the Government Civil Hospital.

A Chinese plumber met with instantaneous death while working on board the s.s. "Pol Shunam" in the Taihook Dock yesterday evening. The unfortunate man walked into an open coal bunker amidships in the darkness, and falling 18 feet into the bottom broke his neck.

An advertisement in this issue announces that the open Machine Gun competition of the H.K.V.D.C. Rifle Meeting will be fixed off at Stonecutters Range from 1 p.m. on Saturday (May 13) and the all-comers rifle competition from 9 a.m. on Sunday (May 14).

A European by name, D. S. Kinner, of the F. M. S. Irrigation Department, who had been suffering from enteric fever, committed suicide by shooting himself in Taihook Hospital. The deceased had been depressed for some time and was conversing with the bullet lodged in his head.

Judgment was entered for the defendant in the Summary Court action brought by the On Lung Cheung firm against the "Hong Tack Cotton Yarn Co., Ltd." before Mr. Justice Wood, yesterday for \$33 claimed for alleged breach of contract in connection with the sale of a number of bales of cotton yarn. Mr. F. A. d'Almeida appeared for the plaintiff and Mr. K. L. Lo for the defendant.

SPECIAL CABLES.**INTERPORT CRICKET.****YESTERDAY'S KEEH-HONG-KONG FIELDING.**

(China Mail Special.)

Shanghai, May 11. Yesterday's play resulted in Hongkong scoring 191. Ragnall made 64, Oliver 35, Fleming 30 and Morell 24. Shanghai made 237 for seven wickets. Cockburn hit up 89, Hayward scored 58 and Barrett 36. The Hongkong side's fielding was very keen.

This morning Shanghai completed their innings being all out for 255. On Hongkong resuming the batting Stewart was dismissed for with no runs. Oliver made 20 and Fleming 21 not out, giving a total of 41 for two wickets.

INTERPORT CRICKET.**SHANGHAI BEATS HONGKONG**

(China Mail Special.)

Shanghai, May 12. The outstanding feature of the day's play was the bowling of Davies who took all the Shanghai wickets in the second innings for 59. Hongkong scored 162. Oliver 20, Fleming 33, Davies 34, Ragnall 40, and Haybert 13. Shanghai scored 99 for 5—Hayward 51 not out, and Wainwright 28. Barrett, Ollerenshaw, and Cockburn failed to score. Hongkong badly missed their fast bowler.

To-morrow the match against Shanghai Cricket Club commences.

DROWNING ACCIDENT.**CHARTERED BANK MAN'S DEATH.**

(China Mail Special.)

Singapore, May 11. Mr. C. A. Wakefield, of the Chartered Bank, Ipoh, was drowned while bathing yesterday.

SPORT.**RIFLE SHOOTING.****ENTRIES FOR CHAMPIONSHIP.**

For the contest for the open rifle championship of the Colony, which is to take place on Sunday at Stonecutters range, there are no fewer than 141 entries.

The King's Regiment have entered 60 men and the 102nd Grenadiers have put in about 20, whilst there are some from the Dockyard Rifle Club in addition to the well-known shots from the H.K.V.D.C. The R.E. and Navy are also represented. On account of the many entries, shooting commences at 9 a.m. sharp.

BILLIARDS HANDICAP.**PALACE HOTEL TOURNEY.**

A very close game was witnessed in the Palace Hotel Handicap 1st night between J. Parkers (—200) and C. Burns (—75), the former winning by eight points—250 to 242. Parkers made breaks of 57, 23, 22, 21, 20, 17 and 14 (twice) and Burns 20, 16 and three 15s.

KOWLOON WEDDING.**LABRUM—WEBSTER.**

In continuation of the report in yesterday's issue of the wedding of Mr. V. C. Labrum to Miss Marjorie Dr. Webster, the following additional details are published.

At the reception held at the residence of Mr. and Mrs. G. V. Hughes, No. 7, Humphreys Buildings, the toast of the bride was given by Mr. David Harvey and was enthusiastically honoured. To this Mr. Labrum responded. Mr. Jack, the best man, proposed the toast of the bride, and on whose behalf Mr. Abbott made a suitable reply. The health of the host and hostess was drunk on the proposition of Mr. Bond. Amongst those who attended the reception were—Mr. and Mrs. Blackburn, Mr. and Mrs. Hyde, Mr. and Mrs. Knott, Mr. and Mrs. Nelson, Mr. and Mrs. Jack, Mr. and Mrs. Bond, Mr. and Mrs. Sherriff, Mr. and Mrs. Robinson, Mrs. Douglas, Mr. and Mrs. Avenell, Mr. and Mrs. Hendrick, Capt. Pennyfather, Capt. Ritchie, Messrs. Hunter, Abbott, Oswald, Abraham and Roberts.

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ST. MARY'S SCHOOL.**ANNUAL PRIZE GIVING.****KOWLOON SCHOOL NEEDS.**

The annual prize distribution of St. Mary's School (the Kowloon Branch of the Italian Convent) took place in the newly-erected School Hall, Chatham Road, yesterday evening. A large gathering of parents and friends of the pupils was present, including the Rt. Rev. Bishop Pozzoni, Hon. Mr. E. A. Irving (Director of Education), Hon. Mr. A. G. M. Fletcher (Acting Colonial Secretary) and Mrs. Fletcher, Rev. Fr. Noval, Mr. J. P. Braga and Mr. L. A. Barton.

At one end of the spacious and gaily decorated Hall was a stage for the concert given by the pupils of the school prior to the distribution of prizes. Petty Officers Gammon and Woodrow were responsible for the decorations and the pretty lighting effects with coloured bulbs.

About thirty girls contributed to the very entertaining programme of songs, recitations, music and drill. The performers included the Misses C. Garcia, M. Eca da Silva, P. Willis, F. Neves, M. Alves, P. Lawrence, C. Xavier and A. Baptista.

Mr. L. A. Barton read the Headmistress' report as follows:—

Since the school was established in Kowloon the present is the first occasion on which the prize-giving has been conducted in what we may call a public manner. The importance and desirability of public prize-givings in the interest both of parents and the students cannot be minimised and we are thankful that, through the provision of the public hall in connection with the school, it has become possible to hold the function under conditions such as we meet to-day. It is specially gratifying to the school, also, that it has been honoured by the presence of Mr. and Mrs. Fletcher on this occasion and that Mrs. Fletcher has been so kind as to consent to give the prizes away to our successful scholars. A note of thanks must be placed on record for the generosity of Mr. M. J. Pettell who made a donation of \$1,000 towards the cost of erecting the new hall.

The number of children attending St. Mary's School has been increasing from year to year and in October last the highest enrolment was reached with an aggregate of 203 scholars on the register. The average daily attendance for the year was 174.5. The staff is composed of six teachers and three assistant teachers. On the recommendation of the Inspector of English Schools it has become possible during the year to add one English lady teacher and one assistant English teacher to the members of the staff.

The official inspection of the school was carried out on December 17 last and I am happy to be in a position to state that, as a result of that inspection, the school was recommended for the highest Government grant.

SCHOOL NEEDS.

The inspector's report is not only encouraging but also records progress in the school's development. There is no denying the fact that the importance of Kowloon as the future residential settlement of the Colony for larger numbers of the non-Chinese population is becoming more and more apparent with the march of time, and adequate provision for the education of the population of school-going age of the Peninsula must be planned before very long. For some time past we have recognised that the old school buildings provided barely sufficient accommodation for class-rooms for the ever increasing number of applications for admission to the school, and the new hall which has just been completed affords room for the conduct of the kindergarten classes and physical instruction. Welcome, however, as the present accommodation is to the teaching staff, a time will come, and that is not so distant a future, when the problem of an entirely new school building suitable for the demand of the Peninsula will have to be faced and means be provided for its solution. We have, fortunately, ground so centrally and so healthily situated in the property now held by the Convent.

It is just the question of building that presents difficulty of solution. In these times of increasing cost of material and labour the expenditure on a new school building is a perplexing question, and must inevitably engage the serious consideration of the school administration. In this matter as in most others the staff can only do their best, but suggestions must be forthcoming from quarters which stand to benefit by the provision of educational facilities for the young generation that is growing up around us and in the immediate neighbourhood.

St. Mary's presented five candidates for the junior examination of the Hongkong University, all of whom passed. The Edward Scholarship has been awarded to Miss Lena Noronha, and the winners of the class scholarships, founded by the late Chevalier

Dr. A. S. Gomes, for regular attendance have been won by Misses Rita Xavier, Avelina Sousa, Laura Gomes, Enrica Idelfonso, Zelinda Gomes, Julia Xavier and Ramon Castro in classes 2 to 8 inclusive, respectively. By the death of Dr. Gomes the school has lost a good friend and a regular benefactor who took special interest in the activities of the community in Kowloon.

PRINCE'S VISIT.

During the recent visit of His Royal Highness the Prince of Wales to the Colony St. Mary's School was represented in the rally of school children held on the Cricket Ground. The school has been presented with a souvenir of this memorable occasion in the shape of a large engraving of the Prince of Wales' portrait. This has been framed and is hung in a prominent part of the school building. The school greatly appreciated the gift from the Managing Committee of the Rock of a number of copies of the Souvenir number of that magazine for distribution to the scholars in the upper classes. The biographical sketch of his Royal Highness, by Mrs. Jackson, printed in the magazine, was read out aloud to the various classes in the school.

Through the courtesy of the Sports Committee of St. Joseph's College, children from this school competed in the races allotted to St. Mary's, the winners in the event being Miss (Cissy) Xavier and Miss Ida Oliveira. The afternoon in Happy Valley on April 22 last was thoroughly enjoyed by the children. The school's shorthand class which meets at regular intervals after school hours, is well attended and candidates who presented themselves for examination in Pitman's course have been duly awarded their respective certificates of merit.

The Mother Superior and Staff wish to express their best thanks to Messrs. J. Lawrence, J. M. Noronha, and Petty Officers Gammon and Woodrow for their willing assistance in connection with the arrangements for the prize-giving and to His Lordship Pozzoni for the special prize for Religious Knowledge.

Mrs. Fletcher then distributed the prizes to the successful students, after which Mr. Fletcher said: My Lord Bishop—Mother Superior, ladies and gentlemen—My wife asks me to thank the Mother Superior for the compliment she has paid her in asking her to give away the prizes to-day and to express the great pleasure which the occasion has given her. I am sure all of you will join with me in expressing our appreciation of the very pretty entertainments which have been staged by the girls, and our satisfaction of the new hall. I notice in the report of the Headmistress that the school is faced here with a problem, which is engaging the attention of the various other schools in the Colony; that is the necessity for increased accommodation to meet the increasing demand for modern education by children in the Colony. I think the Government is well aware of the excellent work that has been done in the school, and although I am not entitled to say anything definite on its behalf, I am sure it will extend very sympathetic consideration to the school as it has always done to those in charge of education in the Colony. I think you girls are very fortunate in having the care and devotion of these ladies who spend their lives in looking after your welfare and training you to be good citizens of the Colony of Hongkong. My wife joins with me in wishing continued prosperity to St. Mary's School. (Applause.)

Miss Alda Alves read an address thanking Mr. and Mrs. Fletcher, Bishop Pozzoni and the gathering for their attendance, after which Mrs. Fletcher was presented with a beautiful bouquet.

PRIZE LIST.

Prize for Biblical Knowledge from Bishop Pozzoni, Miss Aurea Baptista. Legard scholarship for the year 1922—1923, Lina Noronha.

Dr. A. Gomes Kt. St. G. Scholarship for Regular Attendance: class 2, Rita Xavier; class 3, Avelina Sousa; class 4, Laura Gomes; class 5, Enrica Idelfonso; class 6, Zelinda Gomes; class 7, Julia Xavier; and class 8, Ramon Castro.

Class 2, Junior Local Certificates and Prizes.—1, Mimmie Alves; 2, Rita Xavier; 3, Alice Carvalho; Aurea Baptista, and Mimmie Noronha.

Class 3, F. Lina Noronha and Marjorie White; 2, Avelina Garcia; and 3, Consuelo Garcia.

Certificates of Merit.—Olivia Noronha; Ena Dazenberg, and Molly d'Almeida.

Class 4.—1, Laura Gomes; 2, Alda Oliveira; 3, Lysia Ounund and Angelina Silva.

Certificates of Merit.—Carmelita Brito, Stella Silva, and Alina Jorge.

Class 5.—1, Albertina Garcia and Celeste Gill; 2, Rita Alvarez; 3, Alda Alves and Lily Markham.

Certificates of Merit.—Helga Remedios, Maria Eca da Silva, and Estelita Souza.

PRINCE'S TOUR.**ARRANGEMENTS FOR MANILA VISIT.**

Arrangements are now being made for the reception of the Prince of Wales at Manila. He will arrive on the morning of May 13, with his staff aboard the "Renown." In the afternoon, he will play polo in Pasay and in the evening, he will be the guest of honour at a dinner and reception to be given by Governor-General Wood at Malacanang Palace.

On Sunday, May 14, the Manila Club will hold a reception for the Prince, probably in the afternoon. In the evening a dinner on the "Renown" will be given by him to Governor-General Wood, United States army and navy officers, and to prominent Americans, Britishers and Filipinos of Manila.

On Monday, May 15, the programme as thus far arranged includes a luncheon at noon at the Cavite Navy Yard station to be given by Captain Crose, commandant, the Prince returning to Manila in the afternoon to play polo in Pasay. The Prince will leave Manila the same day. Because of the short period of his stay in Manila, the trip to Baguio has been called off. However, he will be taken around Manila and neighbouring places of interest.

PATHOS AND HUMOUR.**KOWLOON THEATRE'S NEW PROGRAMME.**

The haunting beauty and sadness of Ireland give a charm and pathos to this evening's Kowloon Theatre attraction, "All Souls' Eve," a 6 part Realart picture which takes for its theme the touching Irish legend that spirits of loved ones return for brief communion with the living.

Adapted from the stage success by Anne Crawford Flexner, this clever photoplay gives Mary Miles Minter a dual role which she plays with rare sweetness and appeal. Jack Holt plays the part of the young sculptor with great effect, and Carmen Phillips as usual makes a success of the vampire role.

The story concerns a jealous woman who plants the little seed of discord that quickly brings a disaster which, however, the miracle of all souls' eve eventually repairs. Staged partly in Ireland and partly in America, this touching photoplay offers some unusually fine settings.

In happy contrast to the pathos of "All Souls' Eve" is the rollicking fun of "The Grocery Clerk," Larry Semon's latest comedy. Enough it is to add that the humour of the engaging Larry was never more irresistible.

"THE RIGHT OF WAY."**IMMEDIATE SUCCESS AT THE CORONET.**

A story that has become famous as a book, a stage play, and now as a film, must be a very remarkable story indeed.

Coronet Theatre patrons evidently agree, as they are crowding to see Screen Classics' film version of Sir Gilbert Parker's famous novel and play of the Canadian North Woods, "The Right of Way," which forms the current attraction at the popular little cinema.

Bert Lyall in the leading role has a strong and, porting cast. The staging lacks nothing in finish.

Class 6.—1, Dulce d' Aquino and Maria Afonso; 2, Teresa Sanchez and Zelinda Gomes; 3, Olga Ribeiro and Maria Cruz.

Certificates of Merit.—Angelina Baptista, Cecilia Xavier, Domitilla Souza and Emma Oliveira.

Class 7.—1, Cynthia Remedios and Julia Xavier; 2, Regina Ribeiro; 3, Annie d' Almeida, Dulce Ribeiro, Carmen Ribeiro and Alda Brito.

Certificates of Merit.—Katherine Hyndman, Elvira Rozario, Olga Eca da Silva, and Margarita Xavier.

Class 8.—Bella Pestanji; 2 Cynthia Alves; 3 Ignea Remedios, Henrique Goncalves, Florio Wong, Olga Gill, Augusta Noronha, Genavieve Mohamed, Alda Ng and Irene Colloff.

Infant Classes.—Lucy Noronha, Germano Ribeiro, Lucy Jorge, Carlos Botelho, Edis d' Aquino, Jessie Wong, Dorothy Noron, a Hathalen Maxwell, Eduardo Gutierrez, John Lawrence, and Carmen Rozario.

George Markham, Augusto Noronha, Henrique Botelho, Guilherme Petrella, Aurea Remedios, Luis Campos, Alice Remedios, Pereira da Silva, Alvaro da Rosa, Bobby Norman, Theresa Goncalves, Cynthia Garcia, Carmen Silva and Eduardo Xavier.

Prizes for Music.—Pepita Lawrence, Consuelo Garcia and Maria Eca da Silva.

Certificates of Merit.—Ida Eca da Silva.

Pitman's shorthand special certificates.—Rita Xavier, elementary certificates.—Avelina Sousa, Consuelo Garcia, Laura Gomes and Lysia Oliveira.

FRIDAY, MAY 12, 1922

COMPANY MEETINGS.

UNION INSURANCE SOCIETY OF CANTON, LTD.

The 49th ordinary meeting of the Union Insurance Society of Canton, Ltd., was held at the Society's head office, Queen's Building, at noon today. Mr. W. L. Patten, President, and there were also present, Mr. G. M. Dodwell, Hon. Mr. A. O. Lang, and Hon. Mr. E. V. D. Parr (Directors), Mr. C. Montague Ede (General Manager), and the following shareholders:—Messrs. J. Arnold, R. A. Dastor, H. M. H. Nemesse, F. M. Ellis, A. S. Ellis, Ho Fook, Lo Cheung Shiu, H. B. L. Dowling, C. M. Young, W. E. L. Shenton, Yau Po, Ho Leung Chan Tsun-nin Chau Siu Ki, C. C. Hisking, M. S. Northcott, A. H. M. de Silva, Chau Yue teng, P. Lander, H. C. Gray, A. C. Hay, W. R. Mansfield, P. M. Hodgson, J. Bentley, J. W. Alabaster, and A. H. K. Cobb.

The General Manager having read the notice convening the meeting, the Chairman said:—

Gentlemen.—The Report and Accounts were issued on the 1st inst., and as you have had the opportunity of reading them I propose to follow the customary procedure and take them, together with the Auditors' report, as read.

The Reports of Insurance Companies the world over have probably never before been so keenly anticipated as those now making their appearance, which increased interest might be attributed to merchants desiring to possess a more intimate knowledge of the Companies to which they look for protection in the course of their business, and also to the considerable notice recently directed to insurance matters by the Press.

Following upon the fact that trade conditions would not permit of Insurance Companies transacting the same volume of business, and if we are to judge from the expressed opinions of prominent financiers and merchants, to general revival in trade can be expected for some time yet. Until trade revives, it is only to be expected that insurance cannot assume its normal life. This state of affairs need cause no alarm to the shareholders and supporters of such old established Companies as the Society, which in the conduct of their business have in the past built up reserves to meet these and other contingencies.

The Working Account for 1920, after allowing for Bonuses to contributors and an Interim Dividend of 24 per share, shows that the balance available for distribution is £431,626.0.9. This sum your Directors recommend should be dealt with by the payment of a Final Dividend to shareholders of 16 per share, by carrying forward to Underwriting Surplus Account to close the year 1920 the sum of £237,266.0.9, and in order that the Bonus Dividend of 20 per share might be maintained, your Directors further recommended that you acquiesce to their proposal that £25,500 be transferred from Equalization of Dividend Fund Account to the Working Account balance for the year under review.

Anticipating your agreement to this recommendation, I feel it is both advisable and necessary for me to warn you that a continuation of this policy cannot be looked for, and unless conditions improve sufficiently to allow of the 1921 Working Account Balance meeting in full the demand of a 20s.—Bonus Dividend, a reduction in this figure is inevitable.

You will not fail to notice that the dividends recommended will absorb approximately £122,000 more than was earned in interest during 1920, a feature seldom paralleled by our competitors.

The balance of the 1921 Working Account is £725,759.13/-, from which it is recommended an Interim Dividend of 24/- per share, and the customary Bonus of 20% to contributors of business, should be paid.

It has been said with truth that a period of prosperity for shipowners means a period of prosperity for underwriters, and that the reverse is the case during periods of depression. Without showing undue pessimism it may be stated that we are now in a cycle of years in which both shipowners and underwriters find it difficult to garner the profits to which they have become accustomed during recent years. The wave of trade depression continues, and with it exists an unsatisfactory moral risk which imparts to the routine of insurance business a hazard difficult to estimate and overcome.

It is a relief to note that the Theft and Pilferage problem has materially improved during the past year, but is still by no means satisfactory.

An outstanding feature of post-war years is the extraordinarily severe competition experienced in all Society. Reports, not isolated ones, but similar in trend of thought and expression, continue to reach Headquarters from units of your organization, explaining why premium incomes and loss ratios do not show up so favourably as

NORTH CHINA.

CABINET RESIGNS EN BLOC.

(Reuters Pacific Service.)

Peking, May 11. The Cabinet met this afternoon and resolved to resign en bloc, after which the expected appointment of Wang Shing-cheng as Premier was mandated.

hitherto. Your Directors feel however that signs are not wanting that conditions pertaining to the conduct of the business in which we are engaged are inclined to show improvement. The inevitable result is being felt of a large number competing for a restricted volume of business, and the gradual withdrawal of a number of competitors unable or unwilling to maintain the pace, appears to be giving the survivors the opportunity of setting the world's Insurance markets in order.

Your organization remains much the same as last year, no extensions of particular importance having been made. In all directions, however, the opportunity has been taken of the reduced volume of routine work to overhaul the driving machinery and effect such repairs and renovations as appeared necessary to maintain a high state of efficiency, upon which so largely depends the prompt service expected of us by our friends and supporters.

Prior to the conversion of your capital from silver into sterling in 1919 there were 1147 holders of the Society's shares. At the present time there are no less than 1519 shareholders. Your Directors feel that the support accorded to the Society is scarcely commensurate with the increase in the number of shareholders, and urge the importance of your personal support and endeavours to influence business.

I record with regret the death of two members of our staff, Mr. W. T. Stacy, a loyal and valued servant, after 15 years' service in Adelaide, as Manager of either the British Traders' Insurance Company's or the Society's Branch Office there, also Mr. T. Fuller, Manager of the Batavia Branch. Our sympathy is extended to their relatives.

Gentlemen, the various Agents of the Society have continued to accord us their generous support, and it need hardly be said that times, such as we are passing, and have passed, through, tax to the utmost the resources and capacity of your Staff. We feel confident that you will approve the 15 per cent. Bonus which has been voted to the credit of members of the Staff holding Provident Fund agreements.

I now beg to propose the adoption of the Report and Accounts as circulated, and when same have been seconded, I shall be glad to answer to the best of my ability any questions you may wish to put.

Mr. Young: Mr. Chairman and Gentlemen, I am sure we are all pleased to receive such a satisfactory account of the Society's business. For many years past we have greatly benefited by the exertions of the General Manager in Hongkong and branches, and should the present depression be the beginning of a cycle of poor years we can remain confident that the wise and able methods of Mr. Ede and staff, will secure as much of the good business going as is humanly possible. I have very much pleasure in seconding the adoption of the report and accounts.

The motion put to the meeting was carried unanimously.

The Chairman: The next business of the meeting is the election of two directors. Mr. Plummer has recently resigned from the board on leaving the Colony and does not seek re-election. Under the Articles of Association the Hon. Mr. A. O. Lang retires and offers himself for re-election. The Hon. Mr. E. V. D. Parr who was recently invited to accept a seat on the board also retires but offers himself for re-election.

Mr. H. M. H. Nemesse proposed and Mr. Ho Fook seconded that the Hon. Mr. A. O. Lang and the Hon. Mr. E. V. D. Parr be re-elected directors. The motion was carried unanimously.

The Chairman said the next business of the meeting was the election of auditors. Messrs. Lowe, Bingham and Matthews and Mr. C. Bernard Brown retired but offered themselves for re-election.

Mr. J. Arnold proposed that they be re-elected at a remuneration of \$2,000 each.

Mr. Chan Sui-ki seconded and the motion was carried unanimously.

The Chairman: That is all the business, gentlemen. I am obliged to you for your attendance. Dividend warrants are now ready and may be had on application.

CHINA FIRE INSURANCE CO., LTD.

The 33rd ordinary meeting of the China Fire Insurance Co., Ltd. was held at the head office, Queen's Building, at 12.20 to-day. Mr. W. L.

FIGHT WITH ROBBERS.

EXCITING SHAMSHUPO TUSSELE.

The Shamshupo police had an exciting encounter with robbers shortly after 10 o'clock last night.

Receiving information that an armed robbery was planned for a certain house, in Keelung Street, Sergeant Greig with a party of Chinese detectives—ten in all—set out to catch the law-breakers. He was successful, for the party had hardly taken up its position when five men were seen approaching. The police immediately closed in on the men who speedily realised that they had been trapped, and put up a stiff fight, in the course of which one Chinese detective was very severely wounded, and even then the ten policemen had to content themselves with only three prisoners, the other two escaping in spite of threats to shoot. When the three captives were searched, they were found to have a dagger each. Two of them also carried toy revolvers, which might easily deceive anyone in the dark. A pair of scissors with the points well sharpened was also seized. The prisoners were handcuffed and taken to the police station.

This morning three men were produced before Magistrate Lindsay charged with the possession of dangerous weapons, and assault on the police.

On the application of Inspector Pitt who said that there was a possibility of other charges being brought against them, the prisoners were remanded in custody until Wednesday next.

Prominent merchants and gentry of Koya district propose to establish a citizens' factory in their district. It is reported that the poorer villagers will be admitted to the factory which will supply them with meals and give them vocational training until they are able to earn their own living.

Patten presented and there were also present Mr. G. M. Dodwell, the Hon. Mr. A. O. Lang, and the Hon. Mr. E. V. D. Parr (Directors), Mr. C. Montague Ede (General Manager), and the following shareholders:—Messrs. P. Lander, H. C. Gray, A. C. Hay, W. R. Mansfield, P. M. Hodgson, J. Bentley, A. H. K. Cobb, B.M.C. de Cunha, V. L. dos Remedios, A. E. S. Alves, V. R. V. Ribeiro, M. A. R. Souza, A. A. Alves, and W. Gardner.

The General Manager having read the notice convening the meeting, the Chairman said:—

Gentlemen.—The report has been in your hands for some time, and, subject to your approval, I will follow the usual procedure, and take it, as well as the Auditors' report, as read.

The accounts for 1920 show a balance of \$617,272.06 to be dealt with. Your Directors recommend this balance be appropriated as follows:—

Dividend of \$7—and Bonus of \$3—per share on 20,000 shares \$ 260,000.00

To transfer to Building Reserve Fund. 100,000.00

To carry forward to Underwriting Surplus Account \$ 317,272.06

I now move that the directors' report and Statement of Accounts be adopted.

Mr. Alabaster seconded and the motion was carried unanimously.

The Chairman: The next business of the meeting is the appointment of two directors. Under the articles of association the Hon. Mr. A. O. Lang and the Hon. Mr. P. H. Holyoak retire, but offer themselves for re-election.

Mr. J. Bentley proposed that they be re-elected.

Mr. A. A. Alves seconded and the motion was carried unanimously.

The Chairman said the next business was the election of auditors. Messrs. Lowe, Bingham and Matthews and Mr. C. Bernard Brown retired, but offered themselves for re-election.

Mr. de Cunha proposed and Mr. V. R. V. Ribeiro seconded Messrs. Lowe Bingham and Matthews and Mr. C. Bernard Brown were re-elected auditors at a remuneration of \$750 each.

The Chairman: That is all the business, gentlemen. I am obliged to you for your attendance. Dividend warrants are now ready and may be had on application.

STEAMER THEFTS.

A street coolie who went aboard the Dutch steamer "Oudekerk" yesterday was called upon to explain to the Marine Magistrate (Commander Beckwith, R.N.) this morning why he was looking in cabin portholes when he had no right to be on board at all.

Accused said that he was working cargo but the detective who caught him stated that inquiries showed this was untrue. Furthermore, when arrested the accused slipped out of his coat and made off. He was recaptured, however, and taken to the Police Station. Sub-Inspector Bond, who laid the prosecution, mentioned that there had been a small epidemic of robbery on board the steamer since it arrived here.

The Magistrate sent the accused to jail for one month with hard labour.

TO-DAY'S ADVERTISEMENTS.

H. K. V. D. C.

RIFLE MEETING.

OPEN Machine Gun Competition, 1 p.m., SATURDAY, May 13th. All-Comers Rifle Competition from 9 a.m., SUNDAY, May 14th. Scorecutters Rifle Range.

Launched leave Murray Pier 12 noon, SATURDAY, and 8 a.m. SUNDAY. Hongkong, May 12, 1922.

VERENIGDE NEDERLANDSCHE SCHEEPVAART-MAATSCHAPPIJ (United Netherlands Navigation Company)

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Having arrived from the above ports, consignees of cargo by her are notified that all goods are being landed at their risk into the Godowns and/or extra hazardous Godowns of the Hongkong & Kowloon Wharf & Godown Co., Ltd., whence and/or from the wharves delivery may be obtained.

Goods not cleared by the 15th May, 1922, will be subject to rent.

All broken, chafed and damaged packages are to be left in the Godowns, where they will be examined on the 17th May, 1922, at 10 A.M. by Messrs. Goddard & Douglas.

Claims against the steamer must be presented in writing within ten days after arrival of steamer, otherwise they will not be recognised.

No Fire Insurance will be effected by the undersigned in any case whatever.

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TO-DAY'S ADVERTISEMENTS.

THE "STAR" FERRY CO., LTD.

NOTICE TO SHAREHOLDERS.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT THE TWENTY-FOURTH ORDINARY ANNUAL MEETING OF THIS COMPANY will be held at the Offices of Messrs. Jardine Matheson & Co., Ltd., on TUESDAY, the 23rd May, 1922, at 11.00 a.m., for the purpose of receiving the Report of the Directors together with a Statement of Accounts to April 30th, 1922.

The Register of Shares of the Company will be CLOSED from WEDNESDAY, the 17th May, 1922, to TUESDAY, the 22nd May, 1922, both days inclusive. By order of the Board of Directors, F. H. CRAPPELL, Acting Secretary.

Hongkong, May 12, 1922.

NOTICE.

CHEUNG CHAU.—Will those interested in the "Rising Sun," Cheung Chau, kindly attend at Donnelly and Whyte's office, 2 Queen's Buildings, at 5 p.m., on FRIDAY, 26th May.

Hongkong, May 12, 1922.

PUBLIC AUCTIONS.

THE Undersigned have received instructions to sell by Public Auction, (FOR ACCOUNT OF THE DONOR),

ON

WEDNESDAY,

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THURSDAY,

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H. M. Dockyard Kowloon

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On view day before sale.

Terms:—Cash on delivery.

HUGHES & ROUGH,

By Appointment Auctioneers to the Admiralty.

Hongkong, May 12, 1922.

TO SECRETARIES OF CLUBS AND OTHER INSTITUTIONS.

ALL preliminary notices of forthcoming meetings, lectures, and entertainments, sent for insertion in the news columns of the China Mail, are charged for at the rate of \$1 each, (as announced in May and June of last year) providing that they do not occupy more than four lines. In future if this space is exceeded they will be placed in the advertising columns at the prevailing rates.

NOTICES.

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ANDERSON'S

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New Premises at 16A, Des Voeux Road Central (Formerly occupied by Mackintosh.)

Come and visit Hongkong's new Ice-cream and Candy Palace. Make the Blue Bird Cafe your rendezvous and meet over a nice Ice-cream Sandy.

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THINGS CHINESE.

CHINA AND EASTERN NATIONS.

An address was delivered by Mr. Chao-hsin Chu, Chinese Charge d'Affaires in London, at the Oriental Circle dinner of the Lyceum Club, on March 6. In the course of this he said he appreciated English society ladies taking a keen interest in Oriental studies, and not from curiosity, but for learning. Really, there was a good deal to learn from Oriental countries; which existed historically nearly the same number of years. He proceeded:—

If you go back into history you will find that directly the Empire of the Western Turk, which for centuries formed a barrier between China, Persia and India, disappeared, the three old nations gradually came together and acquired a good knowledge of each other's life and conditions. Under the Tang Dynasty the Chinese spread their rule to the very frontiers of Persia, and so close was the relationship thus established that the fugitive sovereignty of that country actually came to China for protection. For a long time after a close overland relationship existed between Persia and China. Indeed, the Arabs travelling overland by way of Persia in the eighth century were the first to bring to the Far East the name of "Franka." The name applied in common to all Europeans in those days. Persia, however, long before the time of Marco Polo (1256-1326), suffered at the hands of the Mongols under Genghis-Khan, who about 1210-27 conquered not only China, but all Central Asia, including Persia, and even threatened the existence of Western Europe. It doubtless took Persia long to recover from this invasion, but it is clear that there was a good deal of trade between the two countries, and there was a certain amount of through traffic from China through Persia and Afghanistan to India. Indeed, the relations between Persia and China always remained quite friendly, politically. This inter-working was only natural, in view of the fact that for many centuries Chinese political influence was dominant all the way westward to the frontiers of Persia, and indeed, in Muselman temples, such as those in Canton, you can still find trilingual inscriptions in Arabic, Persian and Chinese. Slowly, by degrees, the national inter-working between Persia and China became less pronounced, until eventually the complete friendly, independent understanding, as we now know it, exists to-day.

China always had close relations with India. If you look down the centuries you will find it very difficult, if not impossible, to find any friction between the two peoples. China, indeed, has never had the faintest political influence in India, though all the five kings of one Hindu State sent missions to China. The Buddhist religion, which has been popular in China, was introduced direct from India.

CHINA'S NEAREST NEIGHBOUR.

The next Oriental country I wish to touch upon is one of the greatest powers of the world—a country known as "The Rising Sun." Geographically, Japan is a closer neighbour to China than any other Oriental country. Their language, religion, race and customs are partly alike. Situated in the same continent, based on mutual interests, Japan and China are on board the same boat, cherishing the same aim. The peace and tranquillity of the Pacific rests on the shoulders of the two countries. The world is narrow to-day. Marco Polo travelled to the Orient on foot over a land. Since the opening of the Suez Canal the sea journey has been greatly shortened. Some day in the near future we will travel comfortably by aeroplane from the West to the East. Kipling said: "East is East, and West is West, and never twain shall meet." This is no longer true. A great Chinese scholar, living in the Sung Dynasty, said "A saint of the East sea and a saint of the West sea have the same thoughts and the same reasoning." Civilisation is self-developing and interchangeable. What most of our Oriental countries need to-day is scientific development. We have been, and will still be, importing this Western civilisation into our own countries. I think we have something which will benefit the Western world in exchange. Our literature, philosophy, classics, history, etc., are worth studying. I presume the object of the Oriental Circle of the Lyceum Club is to exchange knowledge with a view to introducing Oriental civilisation into occidental functions.

FIGHTING BY TELEGRAM.

Chinese people are known as a peace-loving people. No doubt you have been told by the newspapers that Civil War is going on in China. I wish to intimate to you that there is no war, only politics. Perhaps you are not aware of the fashion of Chinese fighting. They do not actually fight one another by means of arms, but the fighting is usually practised by means of telegrams; that is to say, one party condemns the other by the expression of its political

opinions in a telegram, and the other opponent argues back also by telegrams; thus, by wire in and wire out, this indicates the sort of fighting. This fashion of fighting has been in practice particularly since the new regime. The overthrow of the Manchurian Dynasty was not entirely due to its being conquered by arms. Our Revolution did not last long, and resulted in very little killing, unlike the results of revolutions in other countries. The Chinese people are very particular in literary expression; when one wants to politically condemn the other he must write a good piece of work in the form of a telegram, to be published in the newspapers, attracting the readers, thus soliciting the support of public opinion. Even a military man, who cannot write well himself, usually asks a literary man to draft the fighting telegram for him. A revolver is not stronger than a pen; this can well be applied to Chinese politics.

DEVELOPMENT AND EDUCATION.

China has to carry out a work of development and education such as you here can hardly imagine. Look at the size of our country and the number of our people. For this work peace and tranquillity are essential. We may not be able to realise our aim in a few brief years; it has taken you hundreds of years to build up the England of to-day, therefore, be tolerant, be sympathetic, and we shall succeed better with your goodwill and guidance.

As to social reform in China, two things should be particularly mentioned, namely, foot-binding and opium-smoking. Both evils have been abolished. One more thing is the opium. This was not of Chinese origin, but only began with the Manchurian Dynasty. To wear a queue is illegal under the law of the Republic. It has become a thing of history since the Manchurian Dynasty has ended. Under the old regime we had a tedious ceremony, that is, "kowtow." Happily, we Chinese have abolished such a tedious ceremony since the Republic. A bow to-day is equally polite as the kowtow in the old days. Instead of shaking hands with each other, one shakes his own hands. Conservatively speaking, I rather admire our self-hand-shaking ceremony, by reason of its being more hygienic. Kissing is more pleasant than hand-shaking, but is not in practice in China. In the old days as we still see it on the stage, gentlemen kissed the lady's hand. Hygienically, it was a better ceremony to kiss the other's hand than to kiss on the mouth.

In conclusion, let me refer you to a statement by an American statesman, Mr. John Hay: "Whoever understands China, socially, politically, economically, religiously, holds the key to the world's politics for the next five centuries." The members of the Oriental Circle of this Club are taking a keen interest in Oriental studies, and you hold the key.

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CANTON'S FINANCES.
NEW MUNICIPAL BUDGET.

The Canton Municipal budget for the fiscal year commencing July 1, 1922 and ending June 30th, 1923, has been made out by the Municipal authorities. According to the new budget, receipts from all sources are estimated at \$5,312,605, and expenditure on city administration at \$6,337,331.40.

The items of the expenditure follow:—

\$ 51,540.96	for general expenses of the Mayor's Office
\$ 98,184.00	for general expenses of the Financial Bureau
\$123,412.00	for the Bureau of Public Works
\$1,167,887.60	for the Bureau of Public Safety
\$396,814.00	for the Bureau of Public Health
\$ 51,539.93	for the Bureau of Public Utilities
\$588,217.40	for the Bureau of Education
\$ 27,744.00	for the Auditing Department
\$ 30,000.00	for the City Advisory Council
\$ 51,432.00	for the Revenue Department
\$ 4,700.00	for the Department of the Police Bureau
\$ 17,400.00	for special expenses of the Mayor's Office
\$2,626,588.00	for special expenses of the Financial Bureau
\$322,23.00	for special expenses of the Public Works Bureau
\$44,186.00	for special expenses of the Public Health Bureau
\$42,440.50	for special expenses of Public Utilities Bureau
\$511,650.00	for special expenses of the Educational Bureau
\$ 1,560.00	for special expenses of the Auditing Department
\$700,000.00	for special expenses (purchasing lands) of the Finance Bureau.

In comparing the total amounts of income and expenditure in this budget it is shown that there is a deficit of \$644,728.00. It is reported the municipal authorities have requested the Provincial Government to turn over the receipt of the taxes on butchering, and rentals of government-owned jetties to the Municipal government. If these receipts are granted by the Provincial Government, the deficit can be recovered, says the Canton Times.

SEA MOUNTAIN.

STRANGE UNSCALED ISLAND.

The endeavour to climb Mount Everest has turned the attention of geographers and explorers to Ball's Pyramid, a strange island-mountain lying between Australia and New Zealand, which has never been scaled. It rises to nearly 2,000 feet like a giant's finger straight out of deep sea. It is about a mile round at the base, and there is much vegetation on the sides and at the top of the peak.

So steep are the cliffs that only in dead calm can anything approaching a landing be made, and no one has ever succeeded in climbing the sides of the island. It is suggested that in this safe of Nature there may be locked up unknown plants, insects, and reptiles.

HOME RACING.

FORM AT A GLANCE.

"Form in a Nutshell," published by The Jockey, 84, 85 and 86, Chancery Lane, London, W. C. Price 3/-.

A veritable mine of information invaluable to every racing man is the 1921 edition of "Form in a Nutshell," an annual record of flat racing issued by The Jockey, the well-known racing weekly published in England.

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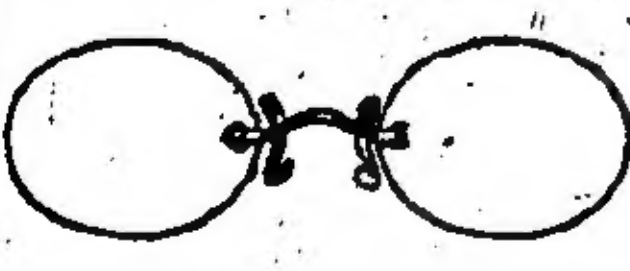
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Australia and Manila	FRIDAY, MAY 19.	Tango Maru
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LONDON (Parcel Mails only, date 5th Apr.)	THURSDAY, MAY 25.	Delta
Straits		Ava Maru

OUTWARD MAILS.

For	Day	Time
Chibbi	FRIDAY, MAY 12.	3 p.m.
Shanghai and Wushow		4 p.m.
Holbow		4 p.m.
Shanghai North China and Dairen		5 p.m.
Shanghai	SATURDAY, MAY 13.	5 p.m.
Philippine Islands		2 p.m.
Keelung, Shanghai, North China, Japan, Hankow, Canada, United States, Central & South America & EUROPE via SAN FRANCISCO. Registration 5 p.m. Letters 5 p.m.		
Amoy		3 p.m.
Shanghai and North China		3 p.m.
Bangkok		3 p.m.
Shanghai and North China		3 p.m.
Singapore		3 p.m.
Singapore, Dairen and Cape Town		3 p.m.
Shanghai and North China		3 p.m.
Swatow and Bangkok		3 p.m.
Straits, Bangkok, BOMBAY and ADEN via Dhahukh, BOMBAY and ADEN via Keelung, Shanghai, North China, Japan, Hankow, Canada, United States, Central & South America, & EUROPE via SAN FRANCISCO. Registration 5 p.m. Letters 5 p.m.		</